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### Selling Patents.

Of the 475 inventors of the United States who received patents the past week 36 per cent of that number were successful in selling either the whole or a part of their inventions before the same were issued. Amongst the prominent manufacturing concerns buying patents were the following: Western Metallic Packing Co., Omaha, Nebr. General Incandescent Arc Light Co., of New York. Winchester Repeating Arms Co., New Haven, Conn. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. Plano Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill. Mergenthaler Linotype Co., New York City. Union Boiler Tube Cleaner Co., Pittsburg, Pa. Gray Telephone Pay Station Co., Hartford, Conn. Kalamazoo Spring & Axle Co., Kalamazoo, Mich. Parties desiring information as to selling or obtaining patents may obtain the same by addressing Sues & Co., Patent Lawyers & Solicitors, Bee Bldg., Omaha, Nebr.

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## DAIRY AND POULTRY.

### INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

### Dairy Notes.

Reports are current that more than the usual number of cows have been killed this year by being struck by lightning. Investigations reveal the strange fact that a large number of them were killed while standing by wire fences. The lightning would strike the wire and instead of grounding would run along the fence its whole length, and somewhere in its course would come near enough to the cows to affect them fatally. Had the lightning grounded as soon as it struck the wire the danger of striking the cows at all would have been small. It was evident that the posts in most cases acted as non-conductors or at least were so inferior to the wires as a conducting medium that the lightning hung to the wires. This will be an easy matter to remedy. A wire running down the posts every little way will be a means of conducting the electricity into the earth.

In a recent issue we took up the question of the Illinois law regarding the slaughter of tuberculous cattle. We cited the law that had been in effect for a number of years allowing an appraisement of all animals slaughtered. In the appropriation bill of the last legislature a clause was inserted that made more specific the manner of slaughtering such animals and the amounts of money that could be obtained from the state for them. It was taken into consideration that there was a great difference in the value of cows slaughtered dependent on the progress of the disease. One cow with a single tubercle in her not larger than a pea would be valuable as a milker for years, while a cow whose lungs were in an advanced state of decay would be practically worthless. Therefore all slaughtered animals are now divided into six grades or classes. Class A: All cattle that on slaughter are found to be free from tuberculosis. These are paid for at full value by the state provided the valuation does not exceed \$75. B, C, D, E, and F, indicate the degrees of progress the disease has made in the animals. For B the owner recovers 75 per cent of the value; for C, 50 per cent; for D, 35 per cent; for E, 25 per cent, and for F 15 per cent.

The healthfulness of oleomargarine is a question that is constantly being considered. The difficulty of properly answering the question is increased by the fact that the oleomargarine of today is not necessarily the oleomargarine of tomorrow, and the oleomargarine that is turned out by one factory is not the same as that turned out by another. Chemists have now discovered that some oleomargarine contains paraffin, to give it firmer composition. Paraffin by itself is indigestible, and it may also be indigestible when incorporated with the fats that compose oleomargarine, but we are not yet certain of that point, for the reason that no one appears to have investigated what paraffin will do in such a combination. It may be less harmful than by itself or it may be more harmful. It may be that the union of paraffin with fat permits some of it to get through the tissues with the fat, and there it may work all kinds of mischief—or it may not. However, people do not care to take their chances on such uncertainties. It is manifestly the duty of the government to ascertain such facts for the people. If paraffin is to be sold as butter we should at least know what effect it will have when taken into the human system. We believe that every pound of oleomargarine that goes out should have stamped on the package containing it the ingredients that are used in its manufacture, including all preservatives.

### Poultry Notes.

From Farmers' Review: This season has taught us that minks or weasels will catch chicks much more than either ducks or turkeys, after the poultry is any size. The reason is not hard to find. After turkeys get any size they invariably fly high to roost and the ducks make such a terrible racket whenever they are disturbed that it would take a bold mink to face the music. Next season we shall try the plan of hanging lighted lanterns among the coops; they are almost a necessity anyway, when one is fattening a flock of ducks. On dark nights they are in a constant uproar and of course do not do so well as if they were quiet.

Admirers of Blue Andalusians report them as being very great layers of large white eggs, and as being almost as beautiful in shape, plumage and carriage as birds. They are larger than Minorcas, the hens frequently weighing six pounds when in laying shape, which is a very good weight. They are also reported as being extra hardy, especially the young chicks. This will appeal to admirers of the Mediterranean class of fowls, as the Leghorn chicks, as a rule, are not very hardy.

Early chicks were the exception around and in this vicinity this year; and poor hatches the rule. This universal complaint of poor hatches is generally thought to be due to the extremely long continued cold of last winter. Turkeys and ducks were not affected by it, if this was the cause, for their eggs hatched well.

During the dry time this fall, have a large quantity of road dust gathered up and stored in a dry place. Get lots

of it, for it will be needed before good out-door dusting places can be found next spring.

The last of this month is a good time to caponize the two-pound cockerels, if one can spare the room, there is no branch of poultry that gives better returns, except early duck, than capons. Caponize a few for your own use next winter, if you do not care to market them.

Aim, and don't miss your aim, to have the pullets and what hens you keep, in their permanent winter quarters by the end of this month. A later removal will cause a later beginning in egg producing and eggs in November, December and January are worth money.

EMMA CLEARWATERS, St. Bernice, Ind.

### Hogs Hog Cholera Serum.

The veterinarian of the Indiana Agricultural Experiment Station points out that agents of cholera medicines in White, Warren, Pulaski and Fulton counties, Ind., are claiming that they sell goods recommended by the station, and agents in Marshall and Kosciusko counties claim to be agents of the Indiana State Board of Agriculture. All agents making such claims in any part of the state are frauds, he says, and should be prosecuted. This is a timely warning and one that readers of The Farmers' Review will do well to bear in mind when agents come along claiming to possess and use serum made by the government or state bacteriologists. The United States Department of Agriculture has announced success in the preventive treatment of hogs against cholera with serum which they have made and used to inoculate hogs and we now expect to hear from all sides that unprincipled men are out among the farmers claiming to have authority from dire disease will surely follow in their shoes mentioned to inoculate hogs. The wake, for they are using some fictitious dangerous serum which has been unscientifically prepared from the active virus of hog cholera. Should such men visit the homes of Review readers we trust that they will be required to show signed credentials from those they claim to represent before they are allowed to wield their squirt guns among well hogs. A little learning is a dangerous thing and one cannot be too careful in experimenting with alleged serums which are far more likely to do harm than good. We have abundant faith that the government will eventually make it possible for all farmers to prevent hog cholera among their hogs by inoculation with bonafide serum, but just at present we warn our readers to fight shy of all but authorized agents of the Bureau of Animal Industry or state experiment stations.

### Co-operative Dairying in Belgium.

Co-operative dairy societies had until recently not made much progress in Belgium, but during the past few years there has been a remarkable increase in their numbers, eighty-seven institutions of this character having been established in the year 1897 alone, says the British Dairy Farmer. At the beginning of 1898 there were 167 dairies in operation, supported by 17,022 co-operating members. An interesting feature of this development is the fact that it has taken place for the most part among the peasant farmers, the average number of cows owned by the co-operators being barely three per member. Butter is the principal product of these societies, and their output of this commodity in 1897 was valued at £255,000, while the value of their sales of cheese, milk, and separated milk was estimated at £10,500. The published accounts of one of these co-operative dairies situated at Oostcamp, Flanders, show that the average price realized for the butter produced and sold in the year 1897 was 1s. 0½d. per lb. The average price received by the shareholders for the milk supplied by them to the dairy was 3½d. per gallon, but the profits on the working of the year amounted to an additional halfpenny per gallon, while the value of the separated milk returned to the members was calculated to be 1½d. per gallon. In this society, which is typical of many others, the profits are divided as follows: One-half to the shareholders who hold one share for each cow they keep; one-fourth to the reduction of loan capital, 15 per cent to the reserve fund, and the remainder is distributed in the form of a bonus to the employees of the society.

### Precocity of the Peacock.

Most books on these birds state that they only reach the adult state at three years of age. I should be much astonished if the peacock does not attain this age at one year, but I can affirm that the hen lays fertile eggs at the age of eleven months. I have before my eyes a hen which was born in July, 1898, and is now followed by two young birds. Possibly the precocity of these birds is not general, but the fact I give suffices to rectify an error found in works on zoology and breeding. It is of practical interest because it demonstrates that the rearing of peacocks and their propagation is a much more rapid work than generally believed. Nevertheless, I must remark that this hen, aged eleven months has only laid two eggs, whereas another older hen laid, at the same time, six fertile eggs. Thus laying amongst the birds becomes more abundant after two years of age. It would, then, be interesting to know whether the number of eggs may be yet greater. I must also remark that when confined one peacock suffices for several hens. So says a correspondent of L'Aviculteur.

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